

FRUITS AND PACKAGES.
The Second Day's Conference of Fruit Growers.

About fifty fruit growers were in attendance at the morning session of the joint session of fruit growers and manufacturers of packages yesterday. The Hon. H. S. Bailey read a paper in which he strongly urged the importance of good roads to the fruit growers in getting their crops to market. Joseph Lammie of South Haven discussed the commercial pear orchard. The form and size of the first packages and how to secure uniformity in size was discussed. J. A. Pearce in behalf of the growers and A. J. Brown for the commission men. The following committee was appointed to recommend some standard sized basket. J. A. Pearce and W. E. Munson of the Grand River Valley Horticultural society; D. W. Wiley and Alexander Hamilton of the West Michigan Fruit Growers association; A. J. Brown on the part of the commission men; E. A. Shawe on the part of the retail grocers; and H. O. Brahmam and L. C. Woodman for the fruit growers.

The general subject of the afternoon session was experiences of the season with various under cultivation. In the absence of G. H. LeFleur, of Mill Grove, the discussion on his paper, "Can anything be done to induce our old apple trees to produce enough fruit for home use?" was made general. J. H. Hamblett, of South Haven, was most able to be present and his topic, "Small Fruits," was given out for general discussion. Thomas Wilde, an expert answered questions.

Mr. Kellogg, of Ionia, Gale Hopkins, of South Haven, M. Hinman, of Douglas, and George G. Bennett, also spoke. S. S. Bailey and Judge Russell, of Hart, discussed the "Albert" peach.

Edward Hutchinson of Fenville read a paper on "The Primary Principles of Plant Nutrition."

Mr. Mure asked if land plaster was a stimulant, or does it retain the ammonia naturally lost from the soil? Mr. Hutchinson stated that he knew by experience that land stimulated by sand plaster finally failed to respond. During the session the Grand River Valley Horticultural society held its annual election with the following results: President, J. A. Pearce; vice president, W. N. Cook; secretary, T. S. Brown; treasurer, E. Chase Phillips; executive board, S. S. Bailey, Thomas Wilde, Edmund Manley and A. W. Slayton. Charles W. Garfield was elected an honorary member of the board.

In the evening the uniform package committee reported a resolution that the regular one-fifth Climax peach basket and standard five pound basket be adopted. They also recommended that no smaller baskets be manufactured or used. The report was adopted after being amended to have the basket go with the fruit and adopting the wire measure as the standard for small fruit. Papers were read by A. Adams of Shelby on "Fine and Superior Fruit for Markets," and by C. M. Sheffer of South Haven on "Can Peaches Be Successfully Grown on Land Once Wet if Properly Drained, the Other Conditions Being the Same?"

The committee on fruit and the committee on resolutions presented their reports, which were adopted. The following officers were elected: President, the Hon. D. W. Wiley of Douglas; first vice president, Judge Russell of Hart; second vice president, George McClatchie of Ludington; third vice president, A. Bos of Forrest Grove; fourth vice president, W. H. Payne of South Haven; fifth vice president, Albert Jackson of Lowell; secretary, C. L. Whitney of Muskegon; treasurer, W. A. Smith of Benton Harbor. Executive board—J. B. Hank of Ludington, Joseph Lammie of South Haven, J. A. Pearce of Grand Haven, Walter Phillips of Grand Haven, Alexander Hamilton of Ganges. A short discussion followed on the value of new varieties of apples, and the session adjourned.

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